

Remarks

The present response addresses all of the rejections and objections set forth in the office action mailed February 4, 2008. No new matter has been added.

The cited reference Aytes U.S. Patent 3,137,216 does not disclose a bore through a portion of the housing forming a single unitary piece wherein both the closure and cover are disposed in the bore. In Aytes housing portion 39 is threaded and includes cover 40. The closure 35, however, is not within the bore of the housing portion 39. Closure 35, rather, is disposed within cylinder member 11. Ring member 39 and cylinder member 11, however, do not form a single unitary piece. Accordingly claim 1, as amended, is distinguished over Aytes. Claim 5, as amended, is also distinguishable over Aytes.

Claim 5 as amended recites that the locking member has a shape configured for engagement with an internal wall of the cover adapted to prevent rotation of the locking member and cover in different radial directions. The screw member 44 of Aytes when engaged with cover 40 of Aytes does not prevent rotating members 44 and 40 from rotating in different radial directions. In fact the use of threading on members 44 and 40 means that Aytes specifically desires that these members be rotated in different radial directions when engaged with one another. Accordingly claim 5, as amended, is allowable over the cited reference.

As Applicant has now addressed each of the objections and rejections set forth in the Office Action, as Notice of Allowance should now issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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